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Honorable William E. Colby Director of Central Intelligence Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Colby:

On behalf of the faculty and students of The National War College, I would like to express my appreciation to you personally and to the people of your agency for your superb hospitality last Thursday. I regret that a previous commitment precluded my attendance. As you are no doubt aware, 80 percent of the class chose to visit your agency on a voluntary basis. From reports reaching me I am aware that they were not disappointed. In fact, I have heard nothing but glowing reactions to the entire visit.

Those who participated were enlightened by the various briefings and exhibits and impressed by your candor and overall hospitality. The opportunity to talk individually with so many agency people over a superb lunch was particularly valuable. I can assure you that each and every participant returned with a renewed appreciation of the role of intelligence in national decisionmaking. Thank you once again for your gracious and perceptive contributions to improving this awareness.

Sincerely,

M.G. BAYNE

Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy

Commandant